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CIA official schedules talk at Shaw Hall

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Lee Strickland, assistant general counsel for the CIA, will be at Syracuse University Wednesday night to discuss the CIA's structure and functions.

"The CIA: Its Role, History and Right to Privacy," is the topic of Strickland's discussion, according to Marsi Fein, Shaw Living/Learning Center resident adviser who coordinated Strickland's visit.

Strickland will speak at 8 p.m. in the basement multi-function room of Shaw. He will describe the agency's relationship to the Freedom of Information Act and the conflict between the CIA's right to secrecy, especially concerning covert operations, and the right of the press and public to know about such operations, Fein said.

Strickland obtained his law degree from the University of Florida, and joined the CIA in 1975 as a staff attorney. His visit from Washington, D.C. is sponsored by the social and political science unit of Shaw.